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WE ARE DISAPPOINTED THAT COMMUNITY NO LONGER SUPPORTING US ON RECIPROCITY LINK TO TEXT ON MFN DESPITE THEIR ASSURANCES ON THIS POINT AS LATE AS LAST WEEK. US HAS TAKEN HIGHLY FLEXIBLE POSITION ON BOTH RECIPROCITY AND MFN, BUT HAS BEEN STEADFAST ON TWO POINTS: THAT MFN TEXT SHOULD INCLUDE NOTION OF EFFECTIVE RECIPROCITY AND THAT MFN WOULD BE APPLIED IN CONTEXT OF BILATERAL OR MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS. NEITHER OF THESE POINTS IS APPARENTLY INCLUDED IN COMPROMISES OTHER WESTERN CONFIDENTIAL

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COUNTRIES NOW CONSIDERING.

FROM US STANDPOINT IT WOULD EVEN BE PREFERABLE TO OFFER A SOMEWHAT MORE POSITIVE STATEMENT ON MFN IF NECESSARY IN

ORDER TO SECURE NECESSARY CAVEATS TO MAKE TEXT ON MFN CONSISTENT WITH TRADE ACT. AS WE INTERPRET SWEDISH-PROPOSED "IN THIS CONTEXT", IT IS VIEWED AS STRENGTHENING SLIGHTLY STATEMENT ON MFN.

STILLMAN INDICATED IN TELCON TODAY HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO SECURE EAST AGREEMENT TO PHRASE "ON BASIS OF RECIPROCAL ADVANTAGE." THIS WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE REFERENCE TO RECIPROCITY, IF MENTION OF AGREEMENTS INCLUDED. FULL MFN TEXT MIGHT THEN READ: "RECOGNIZE, IN THIS CONTEXT, THE BENEFICIAL EFFECTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE OF THE APPLICATION OF MOST FAVORED NATION TREATMENT, EXTENDED THROUGH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS AND ON THE BASIS OF RECIPROCAL ADVANTAGE."

IF THIS NOT ATTAINABLE, WE WOULD CONSIDER MODIFICATION, EITHER BY FINDING SUITABLE SYNONYM FOR "RECIPROCAL ADVANTAGE" OR BY STRENGTHENING PHRASE "RECOGNIZE THE BENEFICIAL EFFECTS OF."

PLEASE ADVISE US OF DEVELOPMENTS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE ON JULY 16. INGERSOLL

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